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1. ON SEPTEMBER 14 APPROXIMATELY ONE MILLION PCI MEMBERS GATHERED IN FLORENCE TO HEAR PCI SECRETARY BERLINGUER CLOSE THE TWO WEEK LONG FESTIVAL. PRIOR TO CONCLUDING SPEECHES, TWO LONG COLUMNS OF PARTICIPANTS ENTERED FESTIVAL SITE FROM OPPOSITE ENDS OF CITY. TRAFFIC THROUGHOUT MOST OF CITY COMPLETELY IMMOBILIZED. FOR A CHANGE FESTIVAL NOT IMPEDED BY HEAVY RAINS.

2. COLUMN PASSING CONSULATE TOOK TWO HOURS AND SHOUTED TAUNTS SUCH AS: 'KISSINGER MURDERER', VOLPE LEAVE ITALY', 'VIETNAM HAS WON, CHILE WILL WIN', 'VOLPE DONT MAKE COUPS',
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'ITALY OUT OF NATO', AND THE HOARY 'YANKEE GO HOME'.
NO DAMAGE TO CONSULATE BUILDING.

3. COMMENT. THE MONEY RAISED BY THIS FESTIVAL AND THE LARGE NUMBER OF PEOPLE ATTENDING IT(ESPECIALLY THOSE UNDER 30 YEARS OF AGE) CAN ONLY SERVE TO REINFORCE THE MOMENTUM THE PCI MUST FEEL IT HAS GENERATED SINCE THE JUNE 15 ELECTIONS.
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